

REMEDIAL SITE ASSESSMENT DECISION - EPA REGION VIII

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EPA ID: CO0001411347 Site Name: UPPER ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT
 Alias Site Names: CHATANOOGA MINING DISTRICT
 SILVERTON MINING DISTRICT

380090 - R8 SDMS
 545366

City: SILVERTON

County or Parish: SAN JUAN

State: CO

Refer to Report Dated: 07/22/1999

Report Type: EXPANDED SITE INSPECTION 001

Report Developed by: STATE

DECISION:

☐ 1. Further Remedial Site Assessment under CERCLA (Superfund) is not required because:

☐ 1a. Site does not qualify for further remedial site assessment under CERCLA (No Further Remedial Action Planned - NFRAP)

☐ 1b. Site may qualify for action, but is deferred to:

☒ 2. Further Assessment Needed Under CERCLA:

2a. Priority: ☐ Higher ☐ Lower

2b. Other: (recommended action) Recommended for HRS Scoring

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DISCUSSION/RATIONALE:

Site is a large mining district near Silverton, CO. The ESI focussed on the Upper Animas drainage to dovetail with other stakeholder sampling events. GW, SW, town soils, and sources were sampled. Observed release of inorganics to surface water where a fishery exists. Two town soils were collected: one looked to be heavily influenced by the railroad, the other indicated little of note.

Active stakeholder group working toward surface water characterization, prioritizing sources and remediation projects.

Site Decision Made by: P. SMITH

Signature: _____

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Date: 07/22/1999